



**Libby Asbestos Site
Troy Operable Unit**

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Businessmen and Professionals Association Meeting
March 9, 2005 at 11:00 am
Senior Center, Troy
17 persons present (see sign in sheet)

1. Brady Selle, School Superintendent
 - introduced Catherine LeCours, DEQ Federal Superfund Project Manager
2. LeCours – Announced Realtor and Banking meeting tentatively scheduled for April 11
3. LeCours – Presented Study Area Boundary
 - Focus on older homes and more populated areas
 - Asked for information regarding homes brought from Grace mine or other large areas in town (like track and ball fields in Libby) – no response
 - Spoke to homes out of boundary and comfort letters
 - Boundary may change
 - EPA website will have current Troy information – DEQ will not maintain separate web
4. Dave Cox – comfort letters not good enough for bank
 - LeCours – offered to provide information to banks, can call and talk to them
5. Cox – want appraisers to be clear homes are not in Superfund site if out of study area boundary
6. Hank - Criteria of order to clean up property? (e.g., based on illness, kids, etc.)
 - LeCours - None established yet. Approach town geographically by neighborhood/area
7. Time Line – funding may come at the end of this year to start cleaning next year (2006)
8. Cox – wants comfort letters for homes out of boundaries to come sooner
 - LeCours – letters should be immediate now that boundaries are set
9. Audience – can homeowner do their own cleanup before study
 - LeCours – yes, if hire a licensed asbestos abatement contractor, Libby Information Center has recent list
10. LeCours – noted O&M meeting and the work they have done with comfort letters
11. Cox – what was the date Troy was designated a superfund site?
 - LeCours – when Libby was, explained OU
12. How long can we keep this low PR?
 - LeCours – hopefully throughout the process, that is what the citizens of Troy want
13. Hank – residents should feel lucky to have federal government cleaning up Troy and owners are not having to pay themselves, like the rest of the nation
14. Selle – happy to have DEQ because DEQ is smaller and likes being under the radar, also DEQ is more local, rather have “I don’t know” than a changing target
15. LeCours – those recognized already by inclusion in Libby are waiting for their homes to be cleaned and comfort letters, as is happening in Troy
16. Audience – who is contact?
 - LeCours – may call Linda at IC in Libby or Catherine in Helena
17. Audience – will there be enough money?
 - LeCours – no guarantee but doubts that EPA will leave without finishing the work
18. Audience – bonds for MT contribution to program, where is that money?
 - LeCours – money is still with state and discussion about placing that money in a fund to use in Troy will be made at some point

1100 am
til 1145 am

17 present

March 9, 2005

Business + Professional Association
Men

1100 am Senior Center

intro: Brady Selle School Supt

DEQ: Catherine

- ① announced matter + banking
meeting April 11
- ② Study Area Boundary
older homes + population areas
- ③ announced request for homes
brought in from lobby; no responses
- ④ spoke to homes out of boundary +
comfort letters - Stan Dave
- ⑤ boundary may change - Cox
- ⑥ ~~was~~ announced EPA website will
have current info on Trogg
- ⑦ ~~letter~~ ^{Dave C. thinks} comfort letter is not
good enough for bank. DEQ ^{can} ~~will~~
provide info to banks ^{Dave} ~~Cox~~
according to Catherine

- listing as Superfund site
~~people~~^{owners} are interested to know
 that some houses are not
 part of Superfund site.
- want appraisers to ~~not list~~^{be clear}
~~sites~~^{that} homes are not in Superfund
 site if out of study area boundary
- Criteria of cleaning up property
 what is it?
- no criteria at this time
- DEQ is thinking geographically
- a citizen wants it based on health
- DEQ explains prioritization based
 on health is very difficult.

④ Time line

- is there a time line?
- funding may come end of this
 yr to start cleaning next yr.
 2006.

Wants

③ Comfort letters to homes outside
of boundaries out sooner than
later. Wants consultants to help

- DEQ thinks it may not take
so long to get out letters

- comment if no funding now will
no letters come?

④ Private clean ups

can homeowner do their own
cleanup before study

- DEQ explained info center has
list of contractors

⑤ O+M committee

DEQ let them know about this group

⑥ date of Superfund designation?
date of Libby Dave Cox

(B) how can we keep this low key
in PR?

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w/ State of MT & decision about
placing that \$ in a fund will be
made at some pt.